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## **Westfield Police Sponsor National Night Out**

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On Tuesday, August 7<sup>th</sup>, neighborhoods throughout Westfield are invited to join with thousands of communities nationwide to participate in the 24th Annual National Night Out crime and drug prevention event. National Night Out, which is sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch and co-sponsored locally by the Westfield Police Department, will involve over 11,000 communities from all 50 states, U.S. territories, Canadian cities and military bases around the world.

National Night Out is designed to:

- Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness
- Generate support and participation in crime efforts
- Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police community relations
- Send the message that your neighborhood is a safe place to live

"National Night Out" is a great opportunity for citizens and law enforcement officials to join forces. Events are planned to promote crime prevention and drug prevention awareness and to strengthen the police-community partnership. We encourage neighborhoods to come together and send the message that we are all working together to prevent crime and keep our neighborhoods safe. On August 7th, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m., residents are asked to turn on their porch lights, lock their doors and spend the evening outside with their neighbors, and police officers.

Events can include cookouts, block parties, parades, flashlight walks and much more. You are limited only by your imagination. If you register your party, you MAY receive a visit from public safety officials. Unfortunately, we cannot guarantee a visit due to the quantity of registered parties. We will make every effort to accommodate as many neighborhoods as possible.

Your participation in the Westfield area National Night Out will show neighborhood strength, increase the police officer/citizen bond and help to make our community a safer place to live.

To officially participate in National Night Out, you must complete the Application and mail it to the address below. You may also fax your application to 317-867-0630. The application can be found on the Town's website at <a href="https://www.westfield.in.gov">www.westfield.in.gov</a>. For additional information, please call the WPD at 896-5236.

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